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Numismatists Of Wisconsin Silver Anniversary Convention

One of the founding ide- of NOW was that the annu- State coin show should be ld at the end of the sp- ng coin show season in y. With the difficulty in heduling large convention ces, this has not always en possible, but when it s, as in the case of Ap- eton/NOW 1985, the result pleasing.

The Valley Inn is a be- tiful facility, and altho cess to the large conven- on room is not as avail- le as it could be, the om itself was near perfect r the State Coin Conven- on. Bob Van Ryzin and his nvention committee had an cellent layout with exhib- s and bourse side by side th ample access to both on entering the convention om.

The location of the auc- tion viewing room, the Krau- se Publications hospitality room, and meeting rooms made the overall convention com- pact and efficient.

Food service within the Valley Inn was exceptional, and the Sunday brunch per- haps the largest and most varied cullinary offering in the state.

The Fox Valley Coin Club put on a class coin show which was reflected in good crowds at the bourse, the relaxed and warm atmosphere, and excellent media cover- age. Thus 30 years of FVCC, and 25 years of NOW were celebrated in a fitting and proper manner, by collectors "doing their thing" in a perfect setting.

APPLETON NOW - GREAT!

President's message

N.O.W. GOES FOR THE GOLD!!!!

Back to work please; our golden anniversary's not far off. Your organization (N.-O.W.) has climaxed it's first 25 years in existence with a wonderful Silver Anniversary show & convention. If perchance you missed being there, so be it; you missed a good show.

Many kudos go out to all the persons that put out a tremendous effort towards the success of the show. I'd like to thank them all as a group. If individual thanks were to be made, we'd completely fill the pages of this issue - there were that many contributions to all the wonderful activities & specials that went into the May 25-26 weekend in Appleton.

STRATTON-PRIEVE TO WILSON

Nancy Wilson was awarded the Stratton-Prieve award, the second time Mrs. Wilson has won the NOW memorial exhibit award. The award is presented to the most educational exhibit at the NOW show.

Bob Kraft

APPLETON NOW - 1985
FRIENDLY!

THE NOW BASH AT DOUGS

Well, the double decker bus flunked out on the Saturday nite NOW crowd, but a 45 passenger school bus delivered nearly a full load to Dougs Supper Club at Menasha. The "nite out" bus, the brainchild of NOW governor Dick Anderson, carried a chattering, noisy crowd, and was a real nice "add on" to the people oriented Appleton NOW show. The food at Doug's was excellent, the stories numismatic, and Dick and Marion Anderson happy hosts. A nice NOW party!

WE SAW YOU AT APPLETON NOW

ew NOW member Bruce Biendrra of Oshkosh wears that ifty beard cuz otherwise he eeds a shave twice a day!

illian Miller of Oshkosh, other of Randy, was on hand o watch her very busy son o the coin club worker bit.

tan Drumm of Appleton, was he man providing ID badges or the FVCC and NOW officers and workers, and BOY... f you didn't wear your adge!!

abian Martini of Minneapois, still a bit under the eather from health problems ate last fall.

rene Blanchette of Oshkosh, ho handled our WNWA writers allots, those pretty dresses don't come from Gimbles, hey are hand sewn!

len Williams of Fond du Lac, eally gussied up in fashion late duds, and with a good ooking beard.

het Krause, NOW #1 was fonling four new Waupaca broen bank notes, was he happy? n yes!

ike Segersin of Tennesse, ast president Mike deftly ended off the persistent uestion; When will those edding bells ring?

Del Bertschy of Milwaukee, the old master story teller was at work at the NOW get together at Doug's Supper Club. He's got a million of um, folks!

Harry Jarvis of Fond du Lac, retirement agrees with this guy, what is it Harry, about 20 new pounds?

Vern Witt of Sheboygan, Vern was making the rounds on Saturday working on the bourse for the big 1986 NOW show at Kohler.

Joe Jones of Iola, with a new collection of Wisconsin Masonic Chapter pennies about organized, Joe is planning an exhibit for the Kohler NOW show next spring.

Virgil and Daisy Jackson of Beaver Dam, this time Virgil had the nice new ring, a double mounted diamond sparkler. HOWEVER, Daisy was over looking, the last I heard.

And what was the story we heard about the "39ish" lady at the pool in a "teeny weenie yellow polka dot bekini"?

Dick Anderson of Menasha, at the big NOW get together at Doug's Supper Club, he was so happy he could CRY? Aw, come on now!

Rachel Van Ryzin of Oshkosh, breaking in a new pair of shoes at the NOW show is no fun when you are running errands for your hubby, the general chairman!

25th Anniversary

Jerry and Millie Tillung of Eau Claire, nice numismatists and a super team of the kind of people who make our hobby special.

Muriel Manthy of Tomah, the first name they called as a winner in the Krause pin for proof sets was Muriel. By now, the negotiations have begun as Cliff trys to add this one to his collection.

Harry Collins of New Orleans La., Harry couldn't make it up, but his message was waiting when we checked into the Paper Inn. Harry, it was a good one!

Ralph Winquist of Rockford, early on Saturday Ralph was asked where his table was, "it's behind that big pile of boxes" was his reply. It was.

Orlane Kittle of Winona, brought her sister Betty Finner along to help at the bourse table. Did you have to pick up the tab for Sis down at Doug's Supper Club, Orlane?

Bob Lee of Madison, its nice to see these young men in our hobby, if the government lets us, the young dealers will be there for the NOW 50th.

SHOW CHAIRMAN NOTES

By Bob Van Ryzin

There were 53 people signed up for breakfast, Randy lamented that he was within two or three of the record supposedly held by Dick Anderson apparently from the last FVCC sponsored show in 1981. The NRS slide show on the "Minting Process" was held on Saturday at 3:oo p.m. in the Rosewood room. I presented the first part of the forum covering ancient minting practices through the first Philadelphia Mint while Randy covered modern minting processes specializing in error coins. The program was prepared by joint research of myself, Randy, and Kerry Schaefer. Everyone in attendance received a free off center cent before leaving. Though no plans have been finalized we hope to offer this program at area clubs free of charge except travel expenses. To begin with, we are going to work on refining the presentation and hopefully present it in the near future before the Oshkosh Coin Club and the Fox Valley Coin Club.

Also, Friday night's welcome to the Silver Anniversary party held in room 2014 and hosted by the FVCC, Voeck's Fox Valley Coin Exchange, and the Avenue Company was a tremendous success if attendance counts. The place was packed, and

olunteer bartender, Randy iller, was kept busy all ight long, while yours tru- y hauled ice.

A special thanks to Hank hoele of the Green Bay club ho aided in putting up sig- s and assisting prepara- ions on Saturday morning, nd whose booklet on saloon okens, I think was a nice ddition to the NOW show.

Popular at the registra- ion table were the free oin folders given to child- en twelve or under, each of hich contained about 25 ce- ts worth of wheat cents to tart a collection, and Lar- y Spanbauer's generous do- ation of copies of his pam- hlet Counterfeits of United tates Coins, many of which ere distributed.

APPLETON NOW - SUPER!

KRUEGER AUCTION

resident Bob Kraft has pro- oted it, and most everyone ho took part will agree, a isconsin item auction at he NOW show has turned out o be interesting and excit- ng feature. Trouble is, it sn't a money maker for the romoter Kurt Krueger. Kurts uctions feature high qual- ty catalogs, top flight ersonel and equipment, all xpensive! Hopefully NOW can ind a way to continue this pirited and stimulating ad- unct to the State conven- ion.

1985 NOW EXHIBIT AWARDS

BEST OF SHOW
Nancy Wilson, Milwaukee
"Type set of U.S. Ten Dollar Interest Bearing Notes."

FIRST PLACE
Ronald Calkins, Mazomainie
"History of Obsolete Bank- notes."

SECOND PLACE
Harold Helm, Oshkosh
"Series 1935 One Dollar Sil- ver Certificates."

THIRD PLACE
Thomas Snyder, Wauwatosa
"Wisconsin National Bank- notes."

NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITORS
Chet Krause, Phyllis Calkins, Virgil Jackson, Daisy Jack- son, Clarence Kosttzke.

JUDGES
Mike Segersin
Dick Anderson
Cliff Mishler

NOW thanx to:

Krause Publications for the convention program and well stocked hospitality room, Chet Krause for the 20 odd cases of beautiful Broken Bank notes on display, the Fox Valley Coin Club for a smooth well run show, Neva Helm, Marion Anderson, Irene Johnson and Irene Blancheete for manning the NOW table, and the non-competitive ex- hibitors, Phyllis Calkins and Virgil and Daisy Jack- son.

NOW 25TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL AWARDS

"Silver Anniversaries are noteworthy occasions, whether it be 25 years of marriage, 25 years in the workplace, or as in this case, 25 years of loosely knit comradarie in our numismatic hobby. For those who were part of the founding years of NOW, time has replaced the youthful enthusiasm with pleasurable memories, primarily of PEOPLE who have made NOW a pleasing hobby experience. NOW will today recognize six of these important people."

RICHARD YEOMAN

"In the beginning, there was Yeoman" could well be the heading for a numismatic publication history of Dick Yeomans role in the national coin collecting hobby. When the Redbook appeared in 1946 there was little in print on coin collecting that could be used by either the novice or the advanced collector. According to pre 1940 collectors, the main thrust was in large cents, with many other coins only accumulated or collected by date, irrespective of mint mark. In 1960, when NOW was being formed, Dick Yeoman was there. His positive influence, and stature, provided a peer presence that gave instant recognition to our fledgling NOW organization. Dick Yeoman was indeed a part of the roots of NOW.

A.P. "DEL" BERTSCHY

Del Bertschy was just a kid of 70 years of age when he first served the NOW Board of Governors in the year 1966. All tolled, he served 14 years as an active governor, and two years as Vice President for Monte Sherwin. The outspoken Del has been a strong fiscal guardian of the NOW treasury, and in his own words, (quote), "The Milwaukee Club was always there to bail NOW out when they were in trouble." It's true, Del Bertschy and his Milwaukee gang always were available when for some reason or another a NOW host club cancelled out or asked for an extra year to plan a NOW show. Del Bertschy, a good hard nosed activist who has strongly contributed to NOW's successful first 25 years.

GORDON GILL

Gordon Gill was on the first NOW Board of Governors in 1960, and has served 21 of the first 25 years of NOW as an officer, as President, Vice President and board member. As the 3rd Vice President of NOW in 1964 he provided inovations on expanding membership, local club/NOW relations, and guided an early Young Numismatists program. Gordon, like Virgil Jackson and Dick Yeoman, provided quiet peer leadership, steadying the

often impulsive and less experienced NOW board members. As a frequent story contributor to NOW News, his willingness to set up informative non-competitive displays, and to share his knowledge and expertise with all in the hobby, Gordon Gill exemplifies the ideal bridge between the numismatic past and present.

VIRGIL JACKSON

Virgil Jackson has been a strong stone in the foundation of NOW. Starting in 1966, Virgil served 14 full years as a governor of NOW, and in the 1960's and early 1970's made the NOW conventions a national showcase of exhibiting excellence with his exceptional award winning displays. When Virgil traveled to the Southwest each winter, he gathered information on club newsletters and publications, on exhibit judging, and new ideas for club programs. This informational feedback went to our NOW members thru NOW News. Sound foundations are the basis of 25th anniversary celebrations...Virgil is a foundation stone of NOW.

GALE HIGHSMITH

Gale Highsmith is more than just a long time collector/exhibitor and numismatic activist, Gale's humor and wit have made him a NOW fixture and legend. Gale came onto the NOW board in 1970, when a lot of the shine had worn off the newly formed NOW of 1960. He served 6 important years as a governor in the time when the strength of the big Milwaukee Numismatic Society was very badly needed. In 1976 he became Vice President during turbulent hobby times, and provided important leadership and a stabilizing influence. His 1970's contributions in creating the NOW exhibit grading system, and farsighted attempts to establish authentication services within NOW, show Gale Highsmith to be a numismatic man before his time.

APPLETON NOW - 1985
JUST GREAT!

CHET KRAUSE

In his historical recollections of the early days of NOW, published in the 1963 NOW News, Chet Krause tells us he was swept along by the tide of suggestions and queries to form a state organization, and only served as a catalist to the needs of a group of fellow collectors. In a 25 year NOW retrospect, it is apparent that Chet was more than that, much more. Chet has had an interest and involvement in NOW for the full 25 years. Many close to NOW for these 25 years feel that without Chet's guidence, involvement, and direct and indirect support, there would be no NOW.

NOW 25YEAR BOOKLET

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If you were unable to be at Appleton/NOW, there are 40 pages of "NOW, the first 25 years" awaiting you. This Silver Anniversary booklet is available to all NOW members from Secretary Mike Tramte. Please send $1.00 to cover postage and handling to: Mike Tramte
P.O. Box 1036
Green Bay, 54305

Didn't get to Appleton NOW, and want a nice 25th anniversary souvenir? Bob Van Ryzin has some of the Appleton NOW programs. (They are nice)! Send him $1.00 at P.O. Box 1002, Oshkosh 54902.

WISCONSIN THREE HUNDRED SALOON ERA TOKENS

For the second year at the NOW show, Hank Thoele has written a souvenir booklet for NOW members. Filled with interesting historical info you can have yours by sending Hank $10.00 at P.O. Box 152, Green Bay, 54305.

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Silver Anniversary Convention

Your Hosts:

Fox Valley Coin Club

The Fox Valley Coin Club has a regional character that is unusual in Wisconsin numismatics. The club now meets in Appleton, but members live as far away as Green Bay to the north and Oshkosh to the south.

Early in 1956 the idea of establishing a local coin club became apparent to collectors in the Fox Valley region. In June of 1956, the first meeting of the Twin City Coin Club was held in Menasha with 10 members present. Among the early members were George Raisler, Jim Beyer, Kurt Gert, Emmett Decker, Clarence Kositske and Fred Voecks.

Meetings were held in members' homes until the group began to expand. It was then decided that the coin club would meet once a month and the location was moved to the Menasha Public Library.

In 1958 the Twin City Coin Club decided to draw from a larger area; consequently, the name of the club was changed to the Fox Valley Coin Club.

Meetings are now held at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the University of Wisconsin Fox Valley Extension campus in Menasha.

N.O.W. Silver Anniversary Convention Chairmen

General Chairman - Robert Van Ryzin
Advertising Chairman - Randy Miller
Bourse Chairman - Robert Worechek
Exhibit Chairman - Don Wydeven
Security Chairman - Stan Drum
Registration Chairman - Stan Drum

N.O.W. Planning Committee

Robert R. Van Ryzin
Randy Miller
Don Wydeven
Stan Drum
Jerry Hummel

Current FVCC Officers

President - Bill Jokela
Vice President - Tom Keen
Secretary - Kerry Schaefer
Treasurer - Randy Miller

Working For The Hobby

Chet Krause

Few, if any, have had a greater impact on coin collecting than Chet Krause, founder of Numismatic News and president of Krause Publications. Through his tireless support of the hobby and his nurturing of Numismatic News, Chet continues to amplify and spread the joys of collecting.

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EXHIBIT "TROPHEYS"

Competitive exhibit winners at the Appleton NOW show were treated to a real nice surprise. The exhibit awards were .999 fine silver 25th Anniversary bars in handsome blue plastic custom holders!

N.O.W. ELECTION RESULTS

In what President Bob Kraft called the closest election contests in NOW history, four governors were elected to three year terms. Elected were:

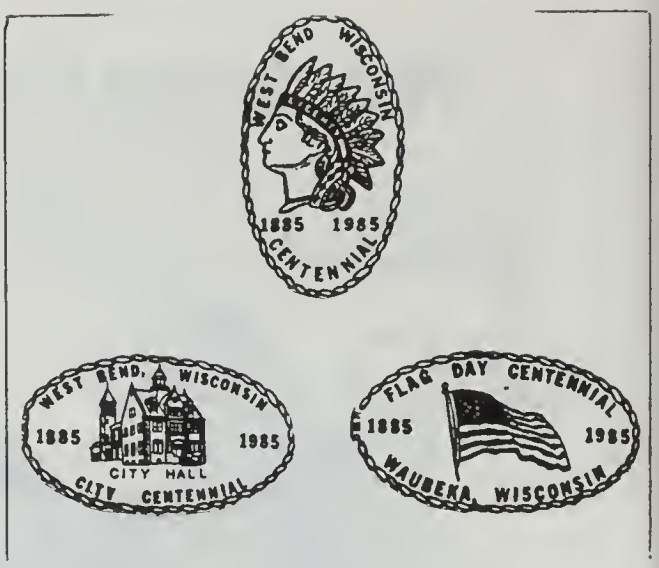
Fred Borgmann - Iola
Robert Korosec - West Allis
Clifford Manthe - Tomah
Robert Van Ryzin - Oshkosh

President Kraft then appointed David Hunsicker of West Bend to fill the two years remaining in the term of Monte Sherwin who resigned.

FOND DU LAC CLUB

The Fond du Lac Coin Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Woodworth School. Current officers are:

Pres.	Harry Jarvis
V. Pres.	Ralph Enders
Treas.	Betty Benzie
Sec.	Tammy Allen
BOG:	Edgar Waldschmidt
	Alice Enders
	Andy Portman



The Kettle Moraine Coin and Stamp Club has issued a pair of elongated cents to commemorate the centennial of the city of West Bend, Wisconsin. The set consists of an Indian head vignette which has been rolled into a copper wheat cent, and a design of the city hall rolled into a 1985 zinc cent. The pair is available from the club for $1.00 per set.

Also available is a rolled 1985 cent commemorating the centennial of Flag Day at Waubeka, Wisconsin. In Waubeka, on June 14, 1885, 19 year old teacher Bernard Cigrand and his students placed a tiny flag in a bottle on his desk and observed what they called "Flag Birth Day". Congress officially has proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day. Flag elongateds are 50 ¢ each.

Orders for the tokens can be placed with Shirley Stoffel, 612 Wolcott Street, West Bend, WI 53095. A SASE is required.

These ladies spent long hours at the NOW table passing out 25 year booklets, accepting memberships and renewals. L to R, Irene Johnson, Neva Helm, Marion Anderson.

Appleton NOW was described as an old timers broken bank note seminar. L to R, Chet Krause, a guest, and Ron Calkins

Exhibitors par excellance at Appleton NOW. L to R, Phyllis Calkins, Mazomanie, and Daisy Jackson, Beaver Dam.

APPLETON NOW EXHIBITS. INTERESTING, QUALITY, WELL RECEIVED BY THE PUBLIC AND COLLECTORS

KURT KRUEGER AUCTION. EXCITING, INTERESTING, WELL ATTENDED, AND A FINE FEATURE OF APPLETON NOW 1985.

BUSY BOURSE. A REAL TRIBUTE TO BOB WORECHECK AND RANDY MILLERS HARD WORK AND ORGANIZATION.

Newly elected NOW Board members. L to R - R. Korosec, C. Manthe, F. Borgmann, R. Van Ryzin.

Nancy Wilson wins the Stratton Prieve Award. Don Wydeven delivers.

President Bob Kraft appointed Mike Tramte secretary, Gene Johnson editor, and Randy Miller show co-ordinator.

You say you left Appleton NOW early on Sunday? Then you missed the pretty belly dancer who entertained coin dealer Dale Anderson. Oh my! Oh my!

WNWA author Fred Borgmann (L) accepts a $100 check from South Shore Coin Clubs' Tom Snyder. For the 2nd year, SSCC donated the first place prize for the best story in NOW News.

Bob Korosec (R) presents the 2nd place (tie) check of $50.00 to Bob Van Ryzin, courtesy of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society. MNS publishes its own newsletter as well.

Randy Miller (R), presents the second place (tie) award of $50.00 to Gene Johnson, donated by the Numismatic Research Society of Oshkosh.

Bob Van Ryzin, (L) presents Randy Miller a quality print for framing in recognition of his hobby work in the NRS and numismatics in general.

Gordon Gill (R), presented by Dick Anderson.

HONORING THOSE SPECIAL PEOPLE OF N.O.W.

Chet Krause, (R), presented by Dick Anderson.

Gale Highsmith (by Nancy Wilson) presented by Gene Johnson.

Del Bertschy

Virgil Jackson

Dick Yeoman, (by Cliff Mishler). Presented by Gene Johnson. (R)

NOT THE DOUBLE DECKER, BUT A FUN BUS RIDE TO A GREAT EATING PLACE!

DINING AT DOUGS SUPPER CLUB IN MENASHA. WHAT GREAT HOSPITALITY!

THE NOISE WAS AT 92 DECIBLES WHEN COIN COLLECTORS SWAP STORIES!

Vice President Carol Janney hosted the first annual NOW/local club representative gathering at Appleton NOW.

Carol and Floyd Janney provided refreshments for the local club reps, NOW governors and officers and guests. Thanks Janneys!

Club representatives feel that program itinerys for the years meeting promote attendance at local club meetings.

show schedule

1985-1985-1985-1985-1985

July 14 — SIREN

Community Center
Fishbowl Coin Club
Rt. 2 Box 30
Siren 54872

August 18 — BARABOO

Elks Club
Baraboo Coin Club
1015 East Street
Baraboo 53913

September 22 — FOND DU LAC

American Legion Hall
P.O. Box 952
Fond du Lac 54935

September 27-29 — MILWAUKEE

MECCA
Milwaukee Numismatic Soc.
3939 N. Murray
Milwaukee 53211

October 6 — APPLETON

Paper Valley Inn
Fox Valley Coin Club
229 E. College Ave.
Appleton 54911

October 13 — OCONOMOWOC

Community Center
Cooney Numismatists Ltd.
P.O. Box 624
Oconomowoc 53066

October 20 — GREEN BAY

Midway Motor Lodge
Nicolet Coin Club
Downtown P.O. Box 152
Green Bay 54305

October 27 — JANESVILLE

Craig Center - Fairgrounds
Janesville Coin Club
1321 Mineral Point
Janesville 53545

BELOIT AREA COIN CLUB

Our club was formed two years ago, in March of 1982. The idea was suggested by our first President, Al Houly along with myself, (the first Vice President), and Keith Sanders, (the Sec.-Treasurer). We now have around 40 members and usually have from 15 to 20 attending meetings. We meet the third Thursday of each month, except in July, at 7:30 pm. Our present officers are:

Steve Nehls, President
Tracy Nickolette, V.P.
Gary Melby, Sec.-Treas.
Jeff Flowers. Sgt. at arms

PLAN AHEAD!

LOCAL SHOW CO-ORDINATOR

RANDY MILLER

P. O. Box 254
Oshkosh, WI 54902 or call 414-231-6161

The past Presidents of NOW were honored at Appleton/NOW with silver medals in custom plastic holders. Each medal was engraved with the name and years of presidency. L to R - Chet Krause, Kurt Krueger, Gene Johnson, Harold Helm, Dick Anderson, Mike Segersin, Cliff Mishler and Gordon Gill. Not present were Jim Medd and Monte Sherwin.

Chow hounds at work; the buffet line for the awards breakfast was the place to be on Sunday morning. The food was good, the hour, well, perhaps a bit early for the out late Saturday crowd.

Exhibit competition highlights

NANCY WILSON - BEST OF SHOW AWARD.

Above - Ron Calkins, 1st place
Left - Harold Helm, 2nd place

Right - Thomas Snyder, 3rd place

DANDY ANA TOURS

The ANA convention, sch-
luled August 20-25, 1985,
t the Baltimore Convention
enter in Baltimore, Mary-
and, features a full sche-
ule of tours designed to
park the interest of even
he most casual convention-
er, collectors and non-col-
ectors alike.

Wednesday, August 21,
ashington, D.C. The excur-
ion to our nation's capital
egins with a private tour
f the Bureau of Engraving
nd Printing, and a behind
he scenes tour of the Smi-
hsonian Institution's ex-
ensive coin and medal hold-
ngs conducted by Elvira
lain-Stefanelli, curator of
he museum's numismatic col-
ection.

On Friday, August 23,
is historic Philadelphia.
he day begins with a tour
f the United States Mint,
ncluding a behind-the-scen-
s trek to examine equipment
nd coin dies in detail.

Next is a trip to Inde-
endence Hall, the Liberty
ell, Benjamin Franklin's
ome and a nearby museum
illed with Franklin memora-
lia.

Because tour capacity is
imited, convention goers
re encouraged to make res-
rvations early. Information
s available from the ANA
onvention Office, P.O. Box
366, Colorado Springs, CO
0901.

BOY SCOUT MERIT BADGE CLINIC

The 5th annual Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic was held on April 20, 1985 at the Marshall & Ilsley Bank in downtown Milwaukee. Of the 112 boys who attended the clinic, 97 passed all requirements and earned their merit badge. Since the start of the program 5 years ago, 330 boys have attended, and 268 have earned their coin collecting badges. The clinics have been sponsored by the Milwaukee Numismatic Society.

These clinics were conceived by Tom Casper in 1980 and with the help of Lee Hartz have proved a success. Assisting Tom and Lee at this 5th annual clinic were MNS members: Tom Artus, Fred Dickfoss, Michael Folk, Dave Hunsicker, Jim Jach, Karen Jach, Bob Korosec, Bill Mross, Leo Neidinger, Neil Shafer, Nancy Wilson and John Wilson. In addition Brian Becker and Bill Hartz of Milwaukee Troop 197 assisted.

BOY SCOUT CLINIC

(continued)

The clinic started at 7:15 AM, upon arrival, the boys were required to show the following items before entering the training room; A type set of currently circulating coins (one cent through fifty cents), including all three current mints (P.D.S.), and a date set of some U.S. series of coins from date of birth to present, (all the same denomination).

Bob Korosec, President of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society welcomed everyone to the clinic. A 12 minute film was shown on "Coins of the World - History of Metal". While waiting for the next requirement to start, the boys and their leaders enjoyed exhibits containing U.S. paper money and a selection of U.S. coins,

> Will numismatics exist as a viable hobby in the year 2000? The Milwaukee Numismatic Society feels they will, and is a leader in providing interest stimulating clinics for the collectors of the 1990's and beyond.

Before obtaining badges the boys must pass five phases administered by a talk and slide programs. After each phase the boys are given a written quiz. The test is then corrected and the next phase is given. The phases were: Mints and Mint Marks - Dave Hunsicker; Designers Initials - Tom Artus; Grading - Leo Neidinger; Buffed, Whizzed, Altered and Counterfeit Coins, and Cleaning Coins - Neil Shafer; and Paper Money - John Wilson.

At the completion of the clinic the boys received the following free items; Numismatic News and Coin Prices courtesy of Krause Publications; Coin World, courtesy of Amos Press; Official 1985 Blackbook of U.S. coins courtesy of Ralph Winquist; National Coin Week pins and wooden nickels, courtesy of South Shore Coin Club; Pamphlets on the history of money and banking, courtesy of the Chicago Federal Reserve; Lets Collect Coins by Ken Bressett, and a proof bicentennial quarter, courtesy of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society.

John Wilson

Top - L to R
Tom Artis, Leo Neidinger, Lee Hartz, Tom Casper, Nancy Wilson, Bill Mross, Karen Jach, Michael Folk, Neil Shafer, John Wilson, Frank Craven.
Kneeling - L to R
Jim Jach, Dave Hunsicker, Fred Dickfoss, Bill Hartz and Brian Becker.

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